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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Serial No.: 09/777,856

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Group Art Unit: 1633

For: Nucleic Acid Construct System
And Method Utilizing Same
Useful For Identifying
Protein-Protein Interactions

§ 89

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Examiner: Maria B. MARVICH

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Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT NOTICE

Sir:

This is in response to the Non-Compliant Notification dated November 3, 2006. By said Notification, the Amendments to the claims filed on August 14, 2006 were deemed to have failed to be properly identified, and omissions and insertions made that were not properly marked, when compared to the last entered amendment filed on November 9, 2005.

Withdrawal of this notification is respectfully requested.

While the Advisory Action dated July 3, 2006 noted that Applicant's After Final Amendment filed June 12, 2006 was not entered, Applicant's Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed July 20, 2006 Transmittal sheet (PTO/SB/30) indicated at item 1.a.i., specifically requested that the amendment filed June 12, 2006 be considered, with the following language appearing on the form: "**Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered**" (Emphasis added). (Copy of the Transmittal Sheet attached).

Since Applicant's amendment filed August 14, 2006 assumed, as mandated by the USPTO, that the Amendment filed June 12, 2006 was entered, the amendments to the claims made on August 12, 2006 were properly identified and categorized.

The withdrawal of the Non-Compliant Notification is therefore deemed to be in order, and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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